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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/823,546	Applicant(s) RYU ET AL.	
	Examiner Tung X. Nguyen	Art Unit 2829	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 September 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-37 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 28-37 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 and 11 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 5-10 and 12-27 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 14 April 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 6/05, 4/04
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of group I with claims 1-27 in the reply filed on 9/15/05 is acknowledged.

2. Claims 28-37 withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected group II, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on 9/15/05.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1, 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Leas et al. (u.s.p 5,929,651).

As to claim 1, Leas et al. disclose in Figs. 1-7, a system for testing a semiconductor device comprising: a match plate (24, 22 of figure 1); a contact module (16 of figure 1) combinable with the match plate and comprising a radiator (75-76 of figure 7a, 7b) to transfer heat away from the semiconductor device (col. 7, lines 50-55), and a tester (16 of figure 2) to contact leads of the semiconductor device (18 of figure 1); an insert module (12, 17 of figure 1) installed on a bottom of the contact module, having a semiconductor device (34 of figure 1) accommodator to accommodate the

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semiconductor device; and an auxiliary radiation member (28 of figure 1) installed on a bottom of the insert module, to radiate heat from the semiconductor device to the outside (col. 7, lines 50-55).

As to claim 11, Leas et al. disclose in Figs. 1-7, the insert module and the auxiliary radiation member are combined into one body (28 of figures 1-2).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claims 2-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Leas et al. (u.s.p 5,929,651), in view of Martter et al. (u.s.p 6,720,784).

As to claims 2-4, Leas et al. disclose in Figs. 1-7, all of the limitations except for the insert module is partitioned in a plurality of semiconductor device accommodators by a horizontal partition wall and a vertical partition wall. However, Martter et al. disclose in Figs. 1-2, the insert module (14 of figure 2) is partitioned in a plurality of semiconductor device accommodators (26 of figure 2) by a horizontal partition wall and a vertical partition wall (fig. 2) for holding a plurality of the device under test at the time during test to save time and quickly testing. Therefore, It would have been obvious to a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention to modify the system of Leas et al., and provide the insert module as taught by Martter et al. for holding a plurality of the device under test at the time during test to save time and quickly testing.

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 5-10, and 12-27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

As to claims 5-10, the prior art does not teach or suggest the insert module is formed wherein the auxiliary radiation member is disposed on the bottom of the insert module along a longitudinal direction of the insert module to contact the bottom of the semiconductor device through the bottom opening; in combination with the other claimed features.

As to claims 12-27, the prior art does not teach or suggest the radiator having a heat flat pusher provided between the contact pusher and the heat sink to transfer heat from the semiconductor device to the heat sink via the contact pusher. In combination with the other features.

Conclusion


8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tung X. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-1967. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30am-5:00pm M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nestor Ramirez can be reached on (571) 272-2034. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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